from Germany and South Korea was allowed to Electronics Trade & Techno logy Develepmenl Cor-potation (ET & T). The foreign exchange culay on this import was approximately Rs. 11.5 crores f.e .b. Such kits wete not impeoried from Japan.

**Completion of i r r i g a t c n precis**

2759. SHRI RAMNARAYAN GOSWAMI : Will the Minister e 1 WATER RESOURCES be plea sed to s;a 1 :

(a) the Siate-wise timber of r i i g a t i c n prejicis completed during the last three years ; and

(b) the Sale-wise number of projects abardcred, if ary, delails thereof ?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF WATER RESOUFCES (SHRIMATI KRI-SFNA SAHI) : (a) The assessment regarding cempletion of projects is undertaken only at the end of each Plan period.

(b) No reports are available from Slate Governments regarding abandonment of projects.

**Dharna by Depot Kamgar Union CCD, Jabalpur**

2760. SHRI SAMAR MU KHERJEE : Will the Minister of DEFENCE be pleased to state :

(a) whether it is a fact that the Depot Kamgar Union, Centiai ordnance Depot, Jabalpur are on Dharna against victimisation, non-itvccalicn of suspension of union activists and non implementation of the Ceniral Government Industrial Tribunal's verdict for payment of 9 day's wages which were deducted from workers wages ;

(b) if so, whether Government have advised the COD authority to discuss the issues and to settle them in cider to maintain peace and tranquility in this vital Defence Depot; and

(c) the delails cf Government's reacricn to the Weikeis' Drama and the steps taken to restore ncimalcy in the CCD Jabalpur ?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN TEE DEFAFTMENT OF DEFENCE PRODUCTION AND SLI PLIES IN TEE MINISTRY CF DEPENCE (SHRI CHINTAMANI PANIGRAHI) : (a) No, Sir.

(b) and (c) Do not arise.

**Winding up of Nagpur Unit of Garden Reach Shipbuilders and Engineers Ltd.**

2761. SHRI SAMAR MUKHERJEE : Will the Minister of DEFENCE be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that Government have taken a decision to wind up the Nagpur Unit of Garden Reach Shipbuilders and Engineeis Limited after ten to twelve yeais of its existence;

(b) if so, what are the reasons therefor;

(c) whether Government are aware cf the fact that the closure will jeopardise the education of children of the employees and create problems to their families if they are asked to go to seme other distant place in alternative employment;

(d) whether Government took up the matter with the Maharashtra Government to ensure continuance of Nagpur Unit of GRSE's; and

(e) whether Government have explored the possibility 10 utilise the infrastructure of the Nagpur unit to manufacture some other items

required by Defence Department or the State Government ?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE DEPARTMENT OF DEFENCE PRODUCTION AND SUPPLIES IN THE MINISTRY OF DEFENCE (SHRI CHINTAMANI PANIGRAHI) : (a) No. Sir. No such decision has been taken by the Government.

(b) to (e) Do not arise.

**Legal aid to Scheduled Castes and Scheduled Tribes in Orissa**

2762. SHRI JAGDISH JANI : Will the Minister of LAW AND JUSTICE be pleased to state :

(a) whether Government is taking steps to provide legal aid to more and more people in the country.

(b) if so, the steps taken under different Central schemes in Orissa during the last three years;

(c) the guidelines that to the State Government's on this regard; and

(d) the number of poor people in India particularly Scheduled Castes and Scheduled Tribes got legal aid in those years ?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF LAW AND JUSTICE (SHRI HANS RAJ BHARDWAJ) : (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) The legal aid programme adopted by the Committee for implementing Legal Aid Schemes is of two-fold character—

(a)free legal aid and advice in all law courts, and

(b) preventive and strategic legal aid which includes holding Lok Adalats.

Both the above schemes are being implemented in Orissa.

(c) Under the Central guidelines, any citizen whose income item all sources does not exceed Rs. 6000/-per annum is entitled to free legal services in all courts upto the High Court and this ceiling of income is Rs. 9000/- for the Supreme Court. This limitation as to income is however, not pplicable in case of persons beonging to scheduled castes, scheduled tribes, women and children, etc.

(d) According to the information available ' with the Committee for Implementing Legal Aid Schemes, in all 4,95,357 persons have been provided legal aid in India during the last three years (1985-1987). Out of these, 1,15,356 persons belonged to Scheduled castes and 29,851 to Scheduled tribes.

**Formation of a River Board**

2763. SHRI SAMAR MUKHERJEE : Will the Minister of WATER RESOURCES be pleased to state :

(a) whether Government are aware of the plan envisaged by Dr. K.L. Rao, noted Engineer for formation of River Board for connecting the major rivers in the country that would solve the probIem of flood and drought to great extent ;

(b) if so, whether Governments policy on Water Resources includes the plan envisaged by Dr. K.L. Rao ; and

(c) if not, what are the reason therefor

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF WATER RESOURCES (SHRIMATI KRISHNA SAHI : (a) to (c) Dr. K.L. Rao had given a proposal for a national water grid including the Ganga-Cauvery Link. A techno-economic examination of the proposal revealed that it would require large blocks of power for lifting water and would have no flood